

some days, & I thought we were getting
over it, but sister Young says, no.
Of course she shed not a few tears
& we i.e. self & wife had tho't we were
used to parting with friends & brethren,
but in fact, it comes as hard as ever.

Rev A. A. Phelps.
Jacmel
Haiti.

Our kind regards to Doct B & Bro.
G. If the latter returns to this place
he may consider our house his
home on as cheap a scale as
"elsewhere". May the Lord go with you.
Bro. G will please write us of his
whereabouts & health. Yours in Christ W^m M Jones

it to my care to be forwarded. The living of Mission-
aries will necessarily be dear ^{in this country} for a long time to come.
Yet by good management we can save \$350 to 400 ^{per an} in
rents, & something by having provision sent us, etc.
I am aware that your short stay with us does not
enable you to judge like one who has been on the
ground longer. Still you have seen at
a glance what we need, & your testimo-
ny on all things relative to our mission will
be of essential advantage to us.

I thank you for your kind offer
to attend to orders when you get to N.Y.
The preamble resolutions & request of our
Board took us by surprise. It has been
wholly unsought after by us.
After prayerful consideration upon the
subject we have concluded to go —
painful to leave, in many respects; but it
is the business of the Master & we cheerfully
obey the voice of duty. Truly bro P. we
have no abiding place here below, but
we seek one in the heavens.

The providences of God have so ordered that
some of us shall keep on the wing.

"The Lord helps us" to mount up as on the
wings of Eagles, to run & not be weary
to walk & not faint."

We miss you very much, indeed
it has been a lovesome time here for

you can embody much in little. You can write much easier while the subject is before you. Please to state, 1 your views of Port au Prince as a Mission station for a society just commencing in a country. ^{like this} 2 .. of our need of a chapel + school house + even dwelling house. 3 .. of my leaving to raise funds. 4 .. of the probability of succeeding providing we have the necessary apparatus.

5.. of Miss Young's temporary absence for her health to the States. 6.. In short any thing that has come under your notice respecting our work in Port au Prince + the work of Missions in Haiti; but particularly of keeping up a station here. Many good brn have inquired whether it wd not be better to seek some place where the mission could be conducted cheaper than at this place. I think this is the place for us. The people are expecting a school from us, &c.

I say again be short but comprehensive, I request this so as not to tax your time + strength too much.

If you write so as to send it by the mail on Monday next it will be here in time for a vessel about to sail. I wish to get returns from the letters I am about to send off before I leave for the states. Especially as the state of sister Y's health may induce the Board to request her to accompany us home. Address Elder Cyrus P Grosvenor Utica N. Y. + send

Port au Prince Wed. morn'g Dec 23: 1846.

Dear Bro Phelps,

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Your very interesting & welcome note the 21st inst came to hand last even'g about 6 o'clock. You are certainly very welcome to the use of the horses. We have all been too much delighted with your visit & that of Bro Graves not to try to do a little. I wish I could have done more for your comfort.

Your requests will all be attended to, as you desire. Mr Luther has mailed two letters to you at Jacmel per British mail which leaves tomorrow. Look out for them there. I send you some papers which I found in the Custom House, from Bro. Harned.

I have been requested by the Board of the Am Bap Free Missⁿ Soc^y to visit the United States in pursuit of health & funds for mission premises, chapel etc, here in P.R. Mrs Jones is also requested to accompany me. We are not to leave until after the arrival of Bro. W L Judd whom we expect within a month at least.

Now as "by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established," will you be kind enough to back up the Board that we may have the more boldness before the churches. Your testimony will be a great satisfaction to the Board & to ourselves. Please write if you can while at Jacmel